LIFE MEMBERSHIP — Dr. Phoebe Knipling, left, registers approval as three long-time members of the Wakefield High School Parent-Teacher Association read the certificates she has just presented them, awarding them life membership in the Virginia Congress of Parents and Teachers. Recipients of the certificates, from left, are Dr. Harold Wilson, Wakefield principal; Mrs. Warren Cox and Mrs. Alfred Letzler. (SUN Photo —Warren Mattox).

3 Honored By PTA at Wakefield

ARLINGTON — The Wakefield High School Parent - Teacher Association awarded the "Phi Beta Kappa of PTA's," life membership in the Virginia Congress of Parents and Teachers, to three members Monday night. These are the first such awards given by Wakefield.

Mrs. Alfred Letzler was honored for having served as an officer in Barrett, Kenmore and Wakefield PTAs. She has been active in the county council, wrote Wakefield's first handbook, and did much of the work on "The Arlington Story" which is used in the seventh grade. She is now state PTA chairman of program services, chairman of Arlington's Advisory Committee on Curriculum, and a teacher of home-bound students.

MRS. WARREN COX received a life membership in appreciation of her own PTA and community activities and also in memory of her husband, who served as president of Hume, Dolly Madison and Wakefield PTAs and of the county council. He was a member of the Arlington County School Board and was a leader in many community activities directed toward school improvement.

The third award was to Dr. Harold Wilson, who has been principal at Wakefield since it was opened in 1955. Dr. Wilson is vice president of the PTA and takes an active part in all PTA projects.

Dr. Phoebe Knipling, supervisor of secondary science in Arlington public schools and vice president of the Virginia Congress of secondary science in Arlington public schools and vice president of the Virginia Congress of Parents and Teachers, presented the life membership pins and certificates.

MORE AUTOMATION

NEW YORK (UPI) — Spokesmen for International Business Machines say scientific inventory management—a computer method of determining when to buy an item and how much to buy—will be employed by a number of grocery chains by 1965 to handle all their warehouse buying automatically.

By 1970, IBM said, computer controlled warehouse buying by grocery chains will be "common place."

Keyette National

Wakefield Girl Runs Convention

JAN BAKER
... Keyette President

By ALICE P. LETZLER

A full-scale national convention at the Marriott Motor Hotels this weekend is being run by a blonde Wakefield High School senior, Jan Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Baker of Arlington.

Miss Baker is president of Keyette National, an organization of some 30 service clubs for high school girls, which is holding its third annual national convention Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Jan has been a hard-working president since her election last spring at a convention in Norfolk. During her administration, she says, she has worked to unify the clubs already in existence and to encourage formation of new units.

ANOTHER accomplishment of her term of office has been the adoption of a national project in which all clubs participate. Under this project the girls are corresponding with Peace Corps volunteers abroad to ask if they can be of assistance back home. Recently some girls were requested to collect children's books, and they filled that request quickly.

The Keyette clubs are honorary service organizations to which girls are admitted on the basis of standards set by the individual clubs. The faculty must certify that the applicants are maintaining a certain scholastic average, are of good character, and possess leadership qualities. The Keyette aim is service to school, community and country.

The first club was founded in 1955 by girls at George Mason High School in Falls Church who wanted to have a club for girls similar to the Key Club, a boys' high school service club sponsored by the Kiwanis. The girls approached the wives of the Kiwanians with their idea, and the Ki-Wives agreed to sponsor them. Each school provides faculty advisers. There are now Keyette clubs in 14 schools of Northern Virginia.

JAN ASCRIBES a great deal of credit for the growth of Keyettes to the interest and effort of Mrs. W. Ted Austin, Ki-Wives chairman of Keyette clubs, 1030 Beechwood Lane, Falls Church. She, in turn, credits the faculty advisers with building the fine reputation of the clubs. Mrs. Austin will be on hand for all of the convention when about 500 are expected to register.

The convention program features a talent show Friday evening, and an address by Douglas Kelley, community relations director of the Peace Corps, Saturday morning. There will be a banquet Saturday evening, followed by a dance.

All of Jan Baker's schooling to date has been in the Arlington schools. She attended Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson Junior High and Wakefield High School. Next year she expects to be a student at Ohio University, where she plans to major in journalism and minor in psychology. She says she chose Ohio because she found that it offers a course in journalism for foreign correspondents.

JAN HAS BEEN literary editor on "Pendulum," Wakefield's literary magazine; an officer of Quill and Scroll, the journalism honorary; is a member of a Tri-Hi-Y, and a homeroom officer.

Her chief activity and main enthusiasm, she states, has been Keyettes. When a 10th grader, she was named junior representative to the Northern Virginia Keyette District. As a junior, she was treasurer of the Wakefield Keyette Club and was named senior representative to the district, where she was elected district president. As a senior, she was elected to the presidency of Keyette National, adding to her background of leadership.

Other Northern Virginians among the national officers are: Marni Foote, Fairfax High School, vice president; Sharon Goree, Lee High School, corresponding secretary; and Mary Ann DeBazzio, O'Connell High School, treasurer.

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